

Intercollegiate contests. This year the number increased to nine. The inter-class and inter-society debate program is influential in creating interest in debating. This year another department has been added to the forensic schedule—that of extemporaneous speaking. Huron has already had two teams in intercollegiate extempore contests, and there is a probability of other contests being scheduled. The Huron College Academy is also a member of the South Dakota Intercollegiate Oratorical and Forensic Association, and takes part each year in two debates with other academies. The credit for the new impetus that is fast making itself felt in the forensic department of Huron College is due to the efforts of Prof. McGrew who is head of the department of speech education.

STANLEY E. ARNETT, President.

COLORADO BETA—Colorado State Teachers

During this academic year Colorado Beta has been more active than at any time in the past. The fall term opened with nine members of Pi Kappa Delta in school. Early in the year the chapter presented Anatole France's "The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife." This was very successful and netted enough money to provide for the expense of sending Convention delegates and of some minor activities. Men's debates with the State Aggies and the State Normal School, and women's debates with Wyoming University compose the schedule for the year. At the time of writing only two of these debates had taken place so it is impossible to sum up the debating record for the year. One of the most enjoyable social functions which the chapter has had took place on March 7th of this year. This was an informal supper and reception given in honor of visiting debaters from the Colorado Agricultural College. The Colorado Alpha and Beta chapters expect to follow their usual custom and hold a joint initiation this spring. These two chapters which are situated at some distance from other chapters of Pi Kappa Delta derive much enjoyment from their "get-together" affairs. Beta chapter was represented at the Convention by two delegates and hopes to have even a stronger showing in another two years.

MICHIGAN ALPHA—Kalamazoo College

Pi Kappa Delta has been stimulated into unusual action the past two years in Kalamazoo. Our forensic schedule has been heavy this year with a total of ten debates already finished—seven out of the ten having been won by Kalamazoo. Two oratorical contests have resulted in one first in the women's and one third in the men's. In all, twenty-seven forensic representatives will have been trained and represented the college this year. Pi Kappa Delta has made a complete record of forensic activities in the college for the last seven years. Missionary work, through the college paper, members of Pi Kappa Delta, and interested parties, has resulted in the organization of chapters in four other Michigan colleges. The Kalamazoo Chapter also installed the Heidelberg and Baldwin Wallace chapters. Since the organization of Pi Kappa Delta in Kalamazoo college in 1918 every member has been awarded a key. In addition to other meetings last year, the chapter held two banquets with alumni invited, and was instrumental in arranging for the entire student body a forensic banquet, which is now established as an annual affair of the College.

RAY H. SIEBERT.

IOWA EPSILON—Simpson College

The last two years have been important years in the work of Pi Kappa Delta at Simpson College. For the last two years we have had a total membership of fifty-two. This year Dr. Hillman, President of Simpson, and Mr. S. M. Hollady, an alumnus, have been elected to honorary membership. In 1920-21 we were very successful in debate, winning half. A successful debate trip was made by a Pi Kappa Delta debate team, meeting en route nine colleges and universities, in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Nebraska. This team succeeded in winning six of these debates out of nine, making a total for the year of seven lost and seven won. This year we were represented by Mr. Cloyd Connor in the State Oratorical in which he won third place. Two girls' debate teams were organized, the affirmative defeating Penn College, and the negative losing to Buena Vista College. Thus far this year our men's debate teams have won twice.

MISSOURI ALPHA—Westminster College

The chapter has seven active members in school, three members of the order on the faculty, and four men eligible to Pi Kappa Delta after the debate season. We have six debates this year, which is rather unusual for our school. The season opens with a contest on our home grounds on April 3rd, the Pittsburg Normal being our opponents. Other rival teams are as follows: Colorado Aggies, University of Wyoming, Culver Stockton, Kansas City University and Central

College. Missouri Alpha sponsored a play which netted \$200 clear profit. It is with this money that we intend to further forensic activities this year. We find this a very satisfactory method of raising finances and intend to proceed on the same plan in the future. Our school record (we have only 140 in school) is twenty-eight victories out of the last thirty-four debates. These include a victory over Missouri University, Washington University, and Denver University. Last year we won all contests. Missouri Alpha had a representative at the Missouri State Oratorical contest. She will lose three members this year by graduation.

MAURICE BACKER, President.

IOWA ZETA—Parsons College

The Parsons College Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta was organized in the spring of 1920 under the leadership of Professor Carl M. Diefenbach. The charter members of the organization were Leland Spalding, Dwight Krumboltz, Armour Wilson, Carroll Bradshaw and Professor C. M. Diefenbach. This nucleus was the basis of an organization which has become among the most distinctive and active of the organizations on the campus. The year following the introduction of the chapter at Parsons College brought with it a keen interest in the forensic activities of the institution. Fifteen men and fourteen women competed for places on the inter-collegiate debating teams. The College participated in eleven debates during that year (1920-1921) with seven different colleges, winning six out of six of the men's debates and two out of five of the women's debates, or a total of eight out of eleven. This year (1921-1922) the forensic interest is even greater than last. Our orator in the women's state contest placed second in a contest of eight. We were also represented in the women's state extemporaneous speaking contest, in the men's state oratorical contest, in the men's extemporaneous contest, and in the National Pi Kappa Delta contest. Seventeen students are representing us on the inter-collegiate debate platform. Although our record is not so startling as that of last year, due to our using more students yet we have won a majority of our men's debates and have given opportunities to more students. The chapter is planning to send out a "news letter" to all the alumni of the organization at least twice a year, so as to hold their interests in forensics. On April 6th we will hold our annual banquet and initiation at which time eleven will be initiated into the organization. Pi Kappa Delta is doing great work for Parsons!

SOUTH DAKOTA EPSILON—Sioux Falls College

Pi Kappa Delta initiation ceremony was held Friday, April 9, at Sioux Falls College. Nine new members were received into the society. The initiation ceremony was conducted by Miss Opal Leonard, President of the Chapter, assisted by Prof. L. E. Nelson and J. D. Coon. This initiation makes a total of 18 members of the Sioux Falls College Epsilon Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta. Sioux Falls College has been very successful in forensics this year. We won both girls' debates in the pentangular series with Aberdeen and Huron, being the only one in the state winning both girls' debates. We won both boys' debates in the pentangular series against Brookings and Dakota Wesleyan. Dean McSloy, the boy orator of the Sioux, won the State oratorical contest and goes to Carleton for the Interstate Contest the 25th of April. McSloy's winning this contest brought the big loving cup to Sioux Falls College permanently. It required winning the contest three times to get the cup. The College is giving a religious drama under the auspices of Pi Kappa Delta. The department of dramatics has been greatly strengthened this year with the organization of a local City Drama League which meets at the College. With one exception, all of the debaters and orators will be back next year so that prospects for the coming year are exceptionally good. The Pi Kappa Delta commencement banquet will be a big affair with several visiting members from other schools and two members of Delta Sigma Rho present.

OPAL LEONARD, President.

OKLAHOMA BETA—University of Tulsa

Oklahoma Beta Chapter was organized at the University of Tulsa, then Henry Kendall College, in March, 1920. The installing officer was Prof. J. R. Pelsma of Oklahoma Alpha Chapter at Agricultural and Mechanical College, Stillwater, Oklahoma. Nine charter members at time of organization of Oklahoma Beta chapter. Of those charter members, Brother Grove is athletic coach and head of Geology Department at Oklahoma Baptist University; Brother Seymour is finishing his second year of Theology at Princeton Seminary; Brother Rains is principal of high school at Salina, Oklahoma; Brother Anderson and Sister Jones are doing advanced work at the University of Oklahoma; Brother Robinson is in the School of Medicine at George Washington University of Washington, D. C. The places left vacant by the departure of these charter members are being ably filled by new members who were initiated last year. Oklahoma Beta has been very active, especially this year, having fostered inter-class debates, Pi Kappa Delta members

winning first and second places in the local oratory tryouts, and furnishing four of the six debate teams in intercollegiate debates. The finances used for sending the two delegates to the Fourth Biennial Convention were raised through efforts of our local chapter.

RAY W. FLEAK, President.

NEBRASKA BETA—Cotner College

We were unable to send a team or a delegate to the convention this year, due to the financial stringency that we find ourselves in at the present time. Also no member felt able to pay his own expenses there. This, of course, deprived us of a pleasure that we indeed were regretful to miss. We feel certain that such a condition will not arise again and that we will be able to take our place at the next assemblage. Our forensics were quite successful this season, although not so phenomenal as our success last year. We participated in five inter-conference contests and broke even, winning five and losing the same number. The one-sidedness of the question this year made the affirmative side exceedingly difficult to maintain in face of the strong public opinion. We lost four members of our organization by graduation last year and will lose two more this June. In addition, however, we will initiate some five new members in the near future. We have several alumni among our faculty and the townspeople here who attend meetings and add to our numbers. Our feature victory this season was over the team from Colorado Agricultural College coached by Brother Alfred Westfall. This team made an extensive tour of all middle states and met most of the leading colleges and universities of the territory. We, however, were the only school to defeat them throughout the entire trip and feel justly proud over the achievement. We upheld the negative side of the Closed-Shop discussion. Our affirmative team was one of the two teams to win a contest on that side this season in the state conference. As to oratory, our representative took fourth place in the state contest and our oratorical team lost by a narrow margin to the team from Wesleyan. Our annual Pi Kappa Delta banquet will be held during the first week in May and we expect to entertain many of the prominent men in forensic and instructive lines of our community. Professor M. M. Fogg of the University of Nebraska will be invited to speak as will Judge Dean of the Nebraska Supreme Court.

Fraternally yours,

RICHARD H. McCANN, Pres. Beta Chapter.

NEBRASKA GAMMA—Doane College

Our chapter now has six members and expects to initiate five more at the next regular meeting. The president of the Nebraska State Oratorical Association is a Doane Pi Kappa Delta man. The State Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest was held here this year under the auspices of Pi Kappa Delta. The president of the State Collegiate Debating League for next year is another Doane man, also a member of Pi Kappa Delta. This year we participated in three intercollegiate debates, our negative team winning two of three, one of them by a unanimous decision. Our affirmative team was less fortunate in securing decisions, but we believe was fully as strong. Before each debate, the visiting team has been entertained by the Doane team at a special dinner given in the college dining room. All Pi Kappa Delta members now in school, the debate coach and a few others especially interested in forensics were invited. On the whole we feel that Doane forensics for the year have been quite successful and that no small part of this success is due to Pi Kappa Delta.

BETH MICKLE, Secretary.

MISSOURI BETA—Park College

While the Missouri Beta Chapter at Park College is of comparatively recent origin, its influence is being strongly felt in forensic activities. Our chapter was installed in May, 1920, by President Macarthur and immediately chose as its objective the introduction of women's debating with the result that a dual women's debate with Ottawa and a debate with the Colorado Aggies were scheduled. Women's debates are very popular and have come to stay at Park. During this school year the chapter successfully sought the granting of collegiate credit for inter-collegiate debaters by the establishment of a debating class for the inter-collegiate squad. Plans are now under way for turning over the management of forensics, now the duty of a student forensic council, to the local Pi Kappa Delta organization. If this materializes, and we have every reason to believe that it will, our chapter will be in a wonderfully advantageous position to further Pi Kappa Delta ideals in an institution where forensic interest already runs unusually high. At the time of this writing we are expecting to install a chapter at William Jewell, one of our neighboring Missouri colleges, whose petition has been recently accepted. We of Missouri confidently expect that before long Missouri will become a Pi Kappa Delta stronghold.

NEBRASKA DELTA—Hastings College

Our forensic activities for the year are as follows. Our college orator won first place in the state contest and represents the state of Nebraska in an interstate contest at Northfield, Minnesota, this week. We carried through a schedule of nine intercollegiate debates, winning six of them. Our negative team debating on the above question did not lose a debate throughout the entire season, and the affirmative team, debating on the same question, won two out of five. Our last debate was Hastings affirmative versus Park College negative, in which we won a unanimous decision. In our preliminary tryouts for places on the teams we had over forty candidates, and in the final tryouts we chose eight out of thirty. We now have a membership in our local chapter of eleven, five of which are of the degree of Proficiency, five of Honor, and one of Special Distinction.

Fraternally yours,

M. J. MARTIN.

ILLINOIS GAMMA—Carthage College

The Illinois Gamma Chapter opened the forensic season at Carthage College by instituting an annual Sophomore-Freshman debate, and secured a cup which was presented to the Sophomores, winning, December 1, a two-to-one decision on the Philippine question. The chapter put out three full teams: a girls team met Iowa Wesleyan and Parsons Colleges February 27. The varsity team debated the Legion Bonus Bill on March 10th and March 17th with Eureka, Bradley, Hedding, and Illinois Wesleyan, members of the Pi Kappa Delta Pentangle League in Illinois. On April 7th, the season was closed when a Freshman team met Illinois College in a dual debate on the Closed Shop question. One 2-1 victory, two three to nothing defeats, and five two to one defeats summarize the decisions. While the season from the standpoint of victories seems poor, yet the purpose of the chapter was accomplished; the chapter will have twenty experienced members for next year's teams. The chapter also financed the debate season by the sale of season tickets. It is at present working out a definite forensic program for next year.

KANSAS ETA—Kansas Wesleyan University

When the university reopened in September last there were five active members of Kansas Eta at Kansas Wesleyan. Although the organization is small this year, we feel that its presence has created more interest in forensics than anything else could have done. Three of these five will not be in school next year, but we have seven eligible for membership this spring, all of whom are underclassmen, freshmen and sophomores. Kansas Wesleyan entered the Northern Division of the State Debating League, debating McPherson College, Sterling College, and Bethany. A debate outside the League has been scheduled with the Hays Normal for April 7. Two members from the University participated in the state oratorical contests, one winning third place in the Old Line. Our debate coach, Dean Charles Templer, has done excellent work in coaching forensics and much of the credit for the enthusiasm over forensics goes to him. Plans are being made for a banquet to be held during Commencement Week when a number of the alumni will be present. Prospects are good for the coming year, and in a very short time we hope to see our chapter rank among the best.

VERA E. NICHOLS, Cor. Sec.

MONTANA ALPHA—Montana Wesleyan College

Montana Alpha has had a very active year with a schedule of seven debates. Starting the year with only two veteran debaters it was necessary to train a large number of new members. Ten new speakers have been placed on teams and will be initiated at the close of the season. Debates have been had with the following institutions: Montana State University, Montana State College, Mt. St. Charles College, and a dual debate with Billings Polytechnic Institute. In the two final debates of the season Montana Wesleyan college defeated the Pennsylvania State college, April 14, and the Michigan Agricultural college, April 15, both by 2 to 1 decisions. The contests were the best that have ever been held in Helena. By defeating Mt. St. Charles college, April 10, by a 2 to 1 decision Montana Wesleyan had the unique experience of winning three contests in one week, all on different questions and with different team members. For the season Wesleyan won five and lost two contests, which makes a record for the last three years of nine victories and two defeats. Two of the twelve debaters of Montana Alpha have won the degree of special distinction this year. Miss Blanche Crawford, a senior, has participated in four debates, winning all four. Thomas Bumgarner, a junior, has won three out of four. Miss Crawford's victories were gained against such formidable opponents as the Montana State University, Montana State college, Pennsylvania State college and the Michigan Agricultural college. It is understood that only one other young lady has so far

attained such an honor. In addition to this excellent showing in debate Miss Crawford is also editor of the college annual, a member of the college mixed quartet, and an honor student. Over two-thirds of her grades are "A," with no grade below "B," for the entire four years' work. In addition to the debate program, the State Oratorical contest for Montana has been revived. This contest will be held in Helena and will have representatives from six institutions participating. With the Wesleyan representatives in oratory and one faculty member who will be eligible this year in the order of instruction, the Montana Alpha chapter will have a membership of sixteen at the close of the year. A big initiation banquet is planned at the close of the season.

MISSOURI GAMMA—Central College

Missouri Gamma regrets its inability to have a delegation present at the Fourth Biennial Convention. We are deeply interested in the work of the national organization and in the matters to be discussed at the convention and we had hopes of having a delegate present until the last minute, when we were unable to carry thru the financing of the plan. As we are unable to present this report thru a delegate, we are sending it to you. Our chapter was organized last year and was installed February 3d with seven charter members. Later eleven new members were initiated, which brought our total membership up to eighteen. Of these, eleven returned to school in September of this year. Pi Kappa Delta has done much to increase interest in forensic activity here at Central College. Thru its efforts a new office has been created on the staff of the college paper and the chapter has elected one of its members as Forensic Editor. Since his election The Collegian has contained several forensic articles each issue. There is plainly greater interest in debate now than there has been the past few years, and places on the college teams have been keenly contested. Last year we had three debates in which men participated and two women's debates. This year we have six debates scheduled.

SANFORD C. WISE.

MONTANA BETA—Montana State College

Montana Beta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta was installed at Montana State on March 5, 1921. There were 13 charter members. Montana Beta was fortunate in having Roy Painter, former National Treasurer of Pi Kappa Delta, as the installing officer. Mr. Painter has been to see us a number of times since the installation. Our first year was spent mainly in organization, in finding our resources and in getting things started for the coming year. During the first year the chapter held an entertainment of all of the speakers and essayists that were down at Bozeman for the State Extempore Speaking Contest and for the State Extempore Writing Contest. The members of the Chapter did much to create interest among the high school students, in public speaking work. Robert McConnell was the first President and too much cannot be said of his work for the local chapter. The year was closed by the addition to the roll of seven new members. The year of 1921-22 was entered with the brightest of outlooks. The season called for debates with the State College of South Dakota, Utah Agricultural College, Montana Wesleyan, Penn State and a series of contests (no-decision debates) with the University of Montana. An Oratorical contest for the state was reorganized which all of the Colleges of the State have agreed to join. As for the local chapter itself, we are trying to do all that we can to further the work in Forensics. We are receiving good support from the student body. In fact the local chapter is really the debate council for the discussion of the matters related to debate. The present membership of the chapter is 15. We expect to hold our pledge meeting very soon and pledge the new men eligible. The society meets once every month at which time some member of the chapter entertains with a feed. We have an excellent opportunity to advance the work among the high school students as they come down to the state Speaking and Writing contests. We have assumed the responsibility of looking after the interests of the high school students while they are in Bozeman for these various events. The following clipping will bear out that statement: "Bozeman, Mont., Mar. 11.—A pleasant feature of tournament week was the banquet given by Pi Kappa Delta, the Honorary Forensic Fraternity at Montana State College, at the Y. M. C. A. last night as a part of the tournament program for the contestants in the state extemporaneous speaking and writing contests. The guests of the evening, with their chaperones and coaches, numbered about 40. Leon Sayers, president of the Pi Kappa Delta, was master of ceremonies, and brief talks were made by Ward St. Clair of Pi Kappa Delta, Miss Elizabeth O'Brien of Havre, winner of first place in the essay contest; Principal Lloyd Thompson of the Forsyth High School, a visiting member of Pi Kappa Delta; Louis Lundborg, of the Billings high school, representative in the speaking contest; Prof. Brewer, head of the English department of Montana State College and a member of the tournament committee; A. G. Bergstrom, member of Pi Kappa Delta."

LEON D. SAYERS, Pres.

OHIO BETA—Heidelberg University

Ohio Beta chapter has been a member of Pi Kappa Delta for a little over a year. This year Heidelberg engaged in eleven debates, three of which were of the open forum type. Of the remaining eight debates Heidelberg won seven, the last of which was the convention debate. At the debate with the Colorado Aggies some twenty high school teams were present to witness the contest, thus ushering in a new era in forensics at H. U. The 1800 mile trip to the Convention at Indianola was the climax to this year's activities. Ohio Beta also boasts of a girl's debate team. In the Ohio Oratorical Association Contest the above chapter placed third. Keen disappointment was felt among the student body at our not being able to enter an orator in the Pi Kappa Delta National Oratorical Contest. In the space of one year Ohio Beta has enrolled eighteen members, six being active, the remaining being alumni who had debated in the past. In the near future we expect to initiate four new members who have become eligible thru this year's forensic contests. Ohio Beta is strong for Pi Kappa Delta. We are going to "boom" it in Ohio in the next two years. Through this chapter letter we wish to express our thanks to the national officers and the various chapters whose cooperation and advice have greatly helped Heidelberg in the standard which she has obtained.

EDISON L. BOWERS, Secretary.

KANSAS THETA—Kansas State Manual Training Normal

The Kansas Theta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta was installed at the State Manual Training Normal, Pittsburg, Kansas, by Prof. J. R. Pelsma, head of the Public Speaking Department in the spring of 1921. S.M.T.N. won over Hays Normal, Simpson College, and divided honors with Southwestern College. In 1922 S.M.T.N. won over Hays Normal, Northwest Missouri State Normal, divided honors with Southwestern College, had a judgeless debate with Kansas City Jr. College, and lost to Kansas City University. Graceland College and Westminster College will be debated before the close of the season. The party of five consisting of Prof. Pelsma, Messrs. Bowers and Rowe and Misses Scully and Fowler attended the National Pi Kappa Delta Convention, March 28-30. On the return trip they debated Graceland and Westminster Colleges. S. M. T. N. took the State Normal School oratorical contest and will send their orator, Copeland Bowers, to the Interstate Normal School contest at Macomb, Ill., in May. The Kansas Theta Chapter now has a membership of 21, with 14 on the campus, and are completing the largest and best debating year in the history of the institution.

SOUTH CAROLINA ALPHA—Wofford College

The South Carolina Alpha chapter was organized about two years ago but not formally installed until April 30, 1921. Our distance from other chapters made it difficult to secure an installing officer. Since our organization Pi Kappa Delta has done much to stimulate the forensic activities in Wofford; so much so that a freshman said this year, after learning about Pi Kappa Delta, that it was the height of his ambition at Wofford College to wear a Pi Kappa Delta key. And the same freshman is working hard toward that end. More men are coming out for the debate and oratorical preliminaries than ever before. The standard of our forensic work has been raised; and we are now planning to have Pi Kappa Delta take over the management of all our intercollegiate debates. Wofford has been striving to secure other chapters in South Carolina and our efforts are about to be rewarded. Two other colleges have already organized and are preparing to petition the national organization. With three chapters in South Carolina, one in Tennessee—and possibly more soon, and one in Kentucky, a strong chain of Pi Kappa Delta will be formed in the Southeast. We hope to have some forensic relations established among the chapters. Notwithstanding our small chapter, and our distance from Iowa, we are sending a delegate to the Convention. Our debate schedule this year consists of four triangles, two varsity and two freshman. Both the colleges in one of our triangles are about to petition Pi Kappa Delta. Pi Kappa Delta men at Wofford have been showing up well in the local oratorical contests. Our delegate to the Convention stopped on the return trip to install the new Tennessee Alpha chapter at Maryville College. The present outlook for South Carolina Alpha is good and we are planning for still greater things next year.

CHAS. F. NESBITT, Chapter Reporter.

MINNESOTA ALPHA—Macalester College

The Minnesota Alpha (Macalester) Chapter was organized in 1921 with eleven charter members. At present we are not having regular meetings, outside of the formal banquet in the spring, when the candidates are initiated and new officers elected. All business is transacted at meetings called by the president. The Chapter has taken an intense interest in stirring up support and enthusiasm for forensics in the College and in the State at large. Largely as the result of the

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Chapter's activity, over fifty men participated in the tryouts for debate this year to represent Macalester in some of the eight debates the College has with Huron, Lawrence, St. Olaf, Gustavus, Adolphus, Aberdeen and Redlands. The Redlands and Gustavus debates are to be "no-decision debates." Girls' debates have been inaugurated by Dr. J. C. Hazzard, coach of debate, a dual being scheduled with Gustavus Adolphus. A novel feature of this debate is that a fourth contestant will be used. She will sit on the platform with the regular three, but will not speak. She will confine her attention to aiding her colleagues in organizing material and in making suggestions. We shall watch the outcome of these contests with interest. Enrique C. Sobrepena, sophomore, took second place in the Minnesota State Oratorical Contest held at Hamline University, having won first place in the Stringer Contest at Mac. To Professor Clark is due the chief credit for promoting extemporaneous speaking contests in the northwest, where they are becoming increasingly popular. Macalester has annual extempore clashes with Hamline University and the University of North Dakota. The Chapter has published his text book on public speaking, entitled "Self Cultivation in Extemporaneous Speaking," which is experiencing a rather widespread demand. While our Chapter is not large, having only six student members, we probably shall select some to increase our numbers from the ten or twelve who will have been made eligible to election by the end of the year.

E. C. SOBREPENa, Delegate.

MICHIGAN BETA—Olivet College

The forensic activities of our chapter during the year have been as follows: On March 10 Olivet participated in a triangular debate with Kalamazoo and Hillsdale colleges on the open shop question. On April 15 the negative team will debate with the Michigan Agricultural College on the same question, and another triangular debate is scheduled for April 28 with Alma and Detroit Junior colleges. In oratory local contests for men and women were held during the winter, and the winners represented the college in the oratorical contest of the Michigan Oratorical League held at Alma on March 3. Counting the persons made eligible for the fraternity by these contests, we shall have sixteen members in our chapter by the end of the year.

Fraternally yours,

HARRY S. POLLARD, Corresponding Secretary.

ILLINOIS DELTA—Bradley Polytechnic Institute

We have had a very successful year in our forensic activities, perhaps the most successful that we have ever had here at Bradley. We won two out of the four debates that we had scheduled and it is quite likely that we would have won more were it not for the fact that we used ten men so that we would have experienced men next year about which to build the teams. The outlook for next year is very bright because of the fact that we will have nine men back that have been in one or more debates. We are quite certain that the faculty here will give us a budget and this will enable us to increase our activities for next year. We have a tentative schedule of six debates already arranged for next year and hope to enlarge it still more. Great interest has been taken in debating this year and we feel sure that it will be even more so next year. We have twelve men in the chapter and we hope to build it still larger next year. Fraternally yours,

ILLINOIS DELTA.

INDIANA ALPHA—Franklin College

June 5, 1921, was a great day for debaters and coaches. On that day our chapter of Pi Kappa Delta with thirteen charter members was duly installed. Our membership consisted of two of the order of instruction and twelve of the order of debate, three of the degree of Proficiency and nine of the degree of Fraternity. Our chapter owes its existence to Prof. E. H. Shideler more than to any other person. Prof. Shideler is a Pi Kappa Delta man from Ottawa University and is now head of the Department of Economics and Sociology in Franklin. When he came, in 1920, he found forensics here dead. In a remarkably short time he voluntarily brought public speaking and debate work to life, and now Franklin ranks with the best schools in the state in this field of work. This year found nine of the charter members in school. Our orator took fourth place in the State Oratorical Contest, and our men's debate teams have won half of their debates, one team having won unanimous decisions over Butler College and Purdue University. We shall have nine persons eligible for membership at the end of the debate season, and with a membership of eighteen or more for next year we feel prospects for the local chapter are very encouraging.

JENNINGS SANDERS.

MICHIGAN GAMMA—Hope College

The control of the department of oratory and debate at Hope College is placed in the hands of the different literary societies on the campus, and they arrange all

debates and contests, with the approval of the department of English. The department is financed entirely by the students. During the past year we were able only to meet such expenses as were incurred in staging our regular contests with other schools in the state, and were sorry to find that we were financially unable to attend the Pi Kappa Delta Convention. We are still new in Pi Kappa Delta, and we appreciate our membership in the Fraternity very much, and are anxious to do our whole duty. Our chapter activities during the past year are as follows: Since February, 1921, we have taken part in six debating contests. Of these six debates we have won three. We expect to hold two more debates next month. In oratory, we have taken part in two state contests, March, 1921, and March, 1922. In 1921, in the women's contest, we took third place in a contest between eight colleges, and in the men's contest we took fourth place. This year, in the women's contest, we took fourth place, and in the men's contest we took second place. The present membership in Pi Kappa Delta numbers eleven members. We are planning on holding initiation services some time in May, when we expect to take in three more members, making fourteen in all. We also expect to have a Pi Kappa Delta banquet at that time. The students are at present agitating the securing of a debating coach, who shall be a member of the faculty. Our forensic record during the past ten years has been a remarkable one. We have won two-thirds of our debates in that period, and have taken first place in the state oratorical contest for five successive years. We are endeavoring to keep up that record, and feel that we need a coach who can devote all his time to forensics.

Fraternally yours, RICHARD J. BLOCKER, Pres. Mich. Gamma Chapter.

CALIFORNIA GAMMA—California Institute of Technology

The California Gamma chapter of Pi Kappa Delta was installed at the California Institute of Technology in June, 1921, by Professor E. R. Nichols, the founder of the organization, assisted by Professor Collins, of the University of Redlands, and by the National President. Throughout this past year the chapter has taken charge of the management of forensics in the Institute. Debates have been held with the University of Redlands, the University of California, Southern Branch, the University of Southern California, and Occidental College. About half of these have been freshman debates. Members of the new chapter entered the Old Line Oratorical contest last spring and the Japanese Oratorical. One of the members was the winner of the local Conger Peace Prize contest. An effort to raise money to send a delegate to the National Convention by means of parking automobiles on the line of march of the Tournament of Roses procession last New Year's day was unsuccessful because of the rainy weather. The chapter is thoroughly alive and will double its membership by the end of the year, when it should number about twenty-five.

ILLINOIS EPSILON—Hedding College

The Illinois Epsilon Chapter was installed at Hedding on June 9, 1921, by Professor W. Ross Marvin, of Bradley Institute. At the installation ten members were initiated, all of the Order of Debate with the exception of the Hedding Debate Coach, Professor Fred G. Bale, who holds Special Distinction Degrees in all three orders. The year since the chapter was installed has seen a great increase in interest in forensics. This chapter believes it holds the record for percentage of student body in preliminary contests for intercollegiate debate. Over one-third of the student body participated in the preliminaries. At the beginning of the year Hedding's chapter, after weighing the matter carefully, decided for the sake of the forensic future of the college to put teams into the field debating both sides of three questions. This policy, of course, precluded a concentration of the best debate talent in the school; but the results, even then, have been quite creditable. Hedding girls won a pentangular debate by getting both decisions on the Philippine Independence question. Our freshmen competing in some cases with veteran teams have won one of four on the Soldiers' Bonus question. The men's teams debating the Closed Shop have won two and lost two. At no time has Hedding been defeated by a unanimous decision of the judges. We have secured entrance into the Illinois Oratorical Association and have from our chapter the secretary-treasurer of that organization. Hedding entertains the Association in its next meet the coming fall. We have initiated two honorary members, one fraternal, and have fourteen pledges that will soon be admitted.

ARTHUR L. DECKER.

NEBRASKA EPSILON—Grand Island College

The Nebraska Epsilon chapter of Pi Kappa Delta at Grand Island College, Grand Island, Neb., wishes to express its heartiest spirit of cooperation to the National Convention. We regret that we are unable to send a delegate, but are asking the Nebraska Alpha chapter of Nebraska Wesleyan University to vote for us by proxy. We sincerely wish Pi Kappa Delta a successful convention and hope that it will do much to stimulate interest in forensics.

HALE C. COLE, President,
IRVING W. JOHNSON, Vice-President,
LORENZO G. BLACK, Cor. Secretary

SOUTH DAKOTA ZETA—Northern Normal and Industrial School

The installation of the Zeta chapter at the Northern Normal and Industrial School has given remarkable impetus to forensic interest and support in the institution. The petition to the National Council was granted and Mr. J. D. Coon, General Counsel, was appointed to install the chapter on February 10th. The initiation of twelve of the thirteen charter members was conducted by Mr. Coon, Prof. Brings and Miss Lillian Kunkle, formerly of Dakota Alpha. In the afternoon a public installation was held in the school Auditorium with the student body and faculty in attendance. After remarks by Mr. Coon, the presentation address was given by the president of the chapter, followed by the acceptance address by the president of the school. In the evening our negative women's team met the affirmative from Huron college with Mr. Coon acting as judge. The attendance of over five hundred students and friends established a precedent for good attendance at our other debates since the tenth. The decision in our favor, everyone was in a good frame of mind to partake of the banquet to Pi Kappa Delta members and visitors immediately after the debate. The school acted as the host. Thus we made our start in what we hope to be a record of Pi Kappa Delta achievement. The future growth and stability of the chapter is assured since we have eleven faculty members who are active members, having participated in some form of intercollegiate forensics. The total membership of the chapter is now twenty-five members with prospects of adding three more before the end of the year. We expect to lose only five members and we consequently look forward to a successful season next year. With practically all new material, the school has won four out of seven debates and placed third in the state Oratorical contest. David Lynch was the school orator and entered the state contest with an oration entitled "Humanity's Great Task." In the women's dual debates, the affirmative team lost to Sioux Falls college and the negative won from Huron college. In the men's series favorable decisions were received in the debates with State college, Huron college and Macalester and we lost to Huron college and the University of Redlands. We have adopted the policy of holding (after every debate) a reception to which the general public is invited. Local committees of the chapter handle all the details of arrangements for debates and entertainment. Definite action has already been taken by the chapter for the forensic program of next year. Inter-class and inter-society debates will be arranged and a committee has been appointed to secure a cup from one of our local business men. If the campaign for an increased forensic budget is successful, the school will plan an extensive debate tour thru Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa. The President has already conferred with the Budget Committee relative to agitation for the presentation of Pi Kappa Delta keys to our student members. We consider our first year of association with Pi Kappa Delta very successful. We hope that the future will have greater things in store for us.

LAWRENCE M. BRINGS, President.

COLORADO ALPHA—Colorado Agricultural College

The Colorado Alpha Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta at the Agricultural college has just closed the best two years in its history. Last year its most notable achievement was organizing the Northern Colorado Public Discussion League among the high schools of this district. This brings together representatives of the high schools for a contest. Prizes are provided by the college. This year the big achievement was sending a debating team on an eastern tour. Four men, David Shepard, a freshman, Nat. N. Dodge, a sophomore, Oliver O. Waggner, a junior, and Edward House, a senior, left Fort Collins March 24th and returned April 16th. They attended the Convention at Indianola, where House represented the college in the oratorical contest. Their debating trip then carried them as far east as Pennsylvania State College. They debated both sides of the "closed shop" question, the Philippines question, and the Towner-Sterling bill in a twenty-four hour debate with Pennsylvania State. They won on all of their questions, winning twelve of the fifteen debates they had, losing two, and debating one no-decision debate. At one place they had the remarkable experience of taking the platform to debate the affirmative of the "closed shop," only to find that through an error the other team had also prepared the affirmative. The contracts were produced showing the other team in error. The other team was unable to go on with the debate. The Colorado team, rather than disappoint the audience, changed sides and then won a unanimous decision.

EVA SMITH, Secretary.

MAINE ALPHA—Colby College

The Maine Alpha Chapter began the year with only three active members, but the season has proved fruitful to the extent of ten new members. Adams, Bickmore, Estes, Berry, Laverty, Dunstan, Peaslee, Pinonsky, Royal, and Mayo have each participated in one or more inter-collegiate debates and have been made members of the Pi Kappa Delta. Forensic activities have been much enlarged at Colby this year. In addition to the annual prize speaking contests and debate, a

series of inter-fraternity debates were held in the fall, dual debates were held with the State College of New Hampshire and with the University of Maine. From the latter institution we won both debates, from the former we won the one and lost the other. A joint debate was held with Ripon College on the question: Resolved, that Congress should pass the Veterans' Adjusted Compensation Bill. No decision was given. The greatest forensic venture in the history of the college was undertaken this year when a team of four men, Messrs. Mayo, Wolstenholme, Russell and Royal, accompanied by Dr. Libby, made a trip cross country as far west as Indianola, Iowa. These men debated nine colleges en route, winning seven of the debates, losing two. We lost to Notre Dame and to Berea College, and won from Kalamazoo, Western Reserve, Hedding, Simpson, William and Mary, and Blue Ridge. With the exception of the Ripon debate the question debated has been the official Pi Kappa Delta question of the open-closed shop.

Fraternally yours,

STANLEY G. ESTES, Corresponding Secretary.

KENTUCKY ALPHA—Georgetown College

We only had three active members to begin the session of 1921-22. These men met every few weeks and made plans for enlarging the work, and made arrangements for an increased number of intercollegiate contests to be held this year. Due almost solely to the influence of our chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, there has been more interest in Forensic activities in our school this year than there has been for more than a decade. Forensic Day (Feb. 22) has come to be looked upon as one of the best days of the College year. On this day we have a distinguished speaker to make a patriotic address in the morning, and a contest of some sort followed by a social hour in the evening. This year the contest was a "Declamatory Contest." The participants were delegates chosen from the four Literary Societies in the College. Last year it was an Oratorical contest. These varied programs have proven very successful, and have created great enthusiasm among the students. About twenty-five or thirty men have tried out for different contests this year. To be a member of Pi Kappa Delta is looked upon as one of the most coveted honors in the college. Forensic work has been greatly exalted here since we organized our chapter. Our debaters have assisted neighboring High Schools in their debates. We took six men and staged a debate for one High School, in order that they may see how a debate ought to be carried out. We have six new men eligible for membership at present. This will give us a total membership of nine. Three of these graduate in June, which will leave six men to begin the season of 1922-23. Since Feb. 22, 1922, when our chapter was installed, we have lost only one debate. For two successive years we have won both the affirmative and negative in the Ky. Intercollegiate contests, a triangular affair, with Centre College of Danville, Ky., and Transylvania College of Lexington, Ky. In the Ky. Intercollegiate oratorical contests for the past two years we have won second and third places respectively. These contests were composed of representatives from all the leading Colleges and Universities in the state. We are hoping to have several contests with Pi Kappa Delta teams next year. We are beginning now to plan our work for next year. We are planning to have a separate budget for Forensic Activities next year, which will enable us to make an extended trip or two, as well as to have several teams visit us.

T. K. SHUFF, Jr., Pres.

MICHIGAN DELTA—Michigan Agricultural College

We were sorry that we could not have a delegate at the Fourth Biennial Convention. There being only six active members left in our chapter and all earning their own way through college, we could not pay the expense of a delegate ourselves. We attempted to have the Tri-State Debate with Purdue and Iowa State College at such a time that we could attend, but they voted against us on the date. There has never been a very great interest among the general student body in forensics, previous to this year. The Tri-State Debate has been the only forensic activity up to this, the first year of our chapter of Pi Kappa Delta. We have greatly enlarged our debating schedule this year. We have arranged so that there will be intercollegiate debating for our girls next year and we are now trying to get our College represented in the State Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest next year. This has greatly increased the interest in forensics among the student body and a greater number are electing the advanced course in forensics.

Fraternally yours,

VICTOR I. WHITTEMORE, Pres.

TEXAS ALPHA—Southwestern University

Texas Alpha has had a very successful year in all her forensic work, for we have won four out of our five intercollegiate debates and second place in the State Oratorical contest. The debating season opened here on February 24 when Messrs. (137)

C. H. Davidson and Emory Horger defeated Texas Christian Univ. On the same evening Messrs. James Hardy and Leo M. Patterson lost to Trinity University. The question for this Triangular debate was: Resolved, That the Kansas Industrial Court plan for the settlement of industrial disputes should be adopted throughout the United States. The first team mentioned upheld the affirmative, the last the negative. The next debate was for the co-eds, Misses Annie Edward Barcus and Velma Wilson, supporting the negative side of the question mentioned above, defeated the College of Industrial Arts. The last two debates were won by unanimous decisions. The first was with Hendrix College of Conway, Arkansas on the Kansas Court question, with Messrs Joe A. Burrenberger and William L. Ayres debating for Southwestern. The last debate of the season was held April 14 when Messrs. J. P. Dunklin and Selman Purcell got a unanimous decision over Howard-Payne College, supporting the affirmative of the question, Resolved, That, Congress should pass a bill adding to the president's cabinet a secretary of education. Mr. E. C. Calhoun won second place for Southwestern in the State Oratorical contest which was held April 15. There were nine colleges represented in the contest. Despite the fact that there were only four old Pi Kappa Delta men back at the first of the year, we have been able to hold an active interest both in our society and in forensic endeavors. We have pledged eight student members this year and sent in the application for two honorary members. We are awake and have hopes of making Pi Kappa Delta one of the outstanding features of the school. It is the hope of the Texas Alpha chapter that our sister chapters have had a very successful year in their forensic work.

Yours fraternally,

JOE A. DURRENBERGER, Corresponding Secretary.

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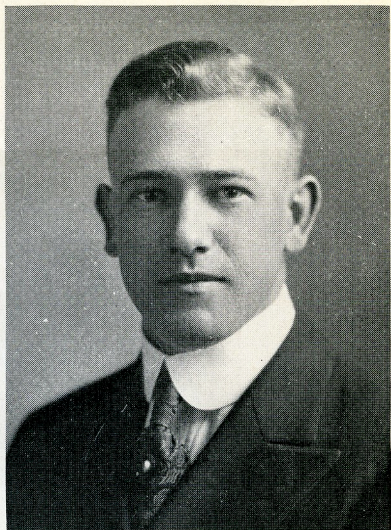
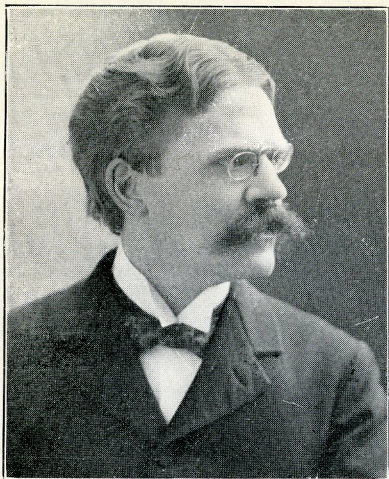
Only four of our chapters have failed to send in their chapter letters. These four also failed to send a delegate or to comply with the instructions in the last FORENSIC to send a proxy, if they did not send a delegate. In accordance with the ruling of the Convention, we are publishing their names, which are as follows:

South Dakota Gamma—Yankton College.

South Dakota Delta—South Dakota State College.

Ohio Alpha—Baldwin-Wallace College.

Michigan Epsilon—Michigan State Normal College.



DR. J. C. HAZZARD, MINNESOTA ALPHA
PROFESSOR LAURENCE M. BRINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA ZETA
PROFESSOR GLENN CLARK, MINNESOTA ALPHA